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In re Application of

Lau et al.

Serial No. 09/838,785

Group Art Unit: 1642

Filed: April 20, 2001

Examiner: M. Davis

For: **DNA Encoding a Novel Prost 03 Polypeptide**

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Sir:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-entitled patent application is the following.

1. Amendment
2. Return postcard

Petition for Extension of Time

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to respond to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2003, for:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | one month | \$110.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | two months | \$410.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | three months | \$930.00 |
- the fee (CFR1.17) for which is authorized below.

Additional Claims

There is no increase in the number of independent, dependent or multiple dependent claims beyond those previously paid for.

Deposit Fee Authorization

Please charge \$410.00 to Deposit Account No. 02-2117 and charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2117. This is not, however, an authorization to pay the issue fee. A duplicate of this document is enclosed.

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